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PATENT APPLICATION  
Attorney's Docket No.: 1958.1018-000  
Expedited Procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
Examining Group : 2858

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For: A QUORUMLESS CLUSTER USING DISK-BASED MESSAGING

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Please amend the application as follows:

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[ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entry Statement previously submitted.

[ ] A Small Entry Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X \$9	\$
X \$42	\$
+ \$140	\$

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Respectfully submitted,

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